Net-to-Gross Research -Standard Compact Fluorescent Lighting: Status Update

Energy Optimization Collaborative September 17, 2013











Commission Orders

DTE Energy – Case No. Case No. U-17049 - December 20, 2012

"Thus, the Commission finds it reasonable to revisit the appropriate net-to-gross for conventional CFL in 2013, for 2014 and 2015 planning and evaluation purposes. To clarify, for program years 2012-2013, a net-to-gross of 0.90 may be used for calculating energy savings for conventional CFLs."

Consumers Energy – Case No. U-17138 – January 31, 2013

"The company will use a net-to-gross ratio of 0.90 for calculating energy savings for its conventional CFLs for 2012-2013. The parties agree that the Commission shall revisit the appropriate net-to-gross ratio for conventional CFLs in 2013 for the 2014 and 2015 program years."

Lighting NTG Overview

	Impact	Process	Net to Gross		
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Customer Surveys (Telephone and Intercept)	٧	٧	٧		
Shelf Surveys		٧	٧		
On-Site Data Collection (Saturation Study)	٧				٧
Trade Ally Interviews		٧	٧	٧	٧
Review of Literature, Market Data and Program Tracking Data			٧		٧
Delphi Panel			٧	٧	٧

Lighting NTG Status – data collection, data analysis

Research Task	Status	
Customer Surveys (Telephone and Intercept)	In Progress	
Shelf Surveys	In Progress	
In-Home Audits	Completed	
Trade Ally Interviews	Competed	
Review of Literature, Market Data and Program Tracking Data	In Progress	
Delphi Panel	Upcoming	

Delphi Panel: Overview

- Selected industry experts draw on their knowledge of CFL markets, past and present, to help estimate programs' influence
 - Panelists selected to represent a broad range of perspectives

Stage 1:

- Provide program history, market data, NTG results from multiple research methods
- Ask panelists to rate their confidence in NTG estimates and provide their reasoning

Stage 2:

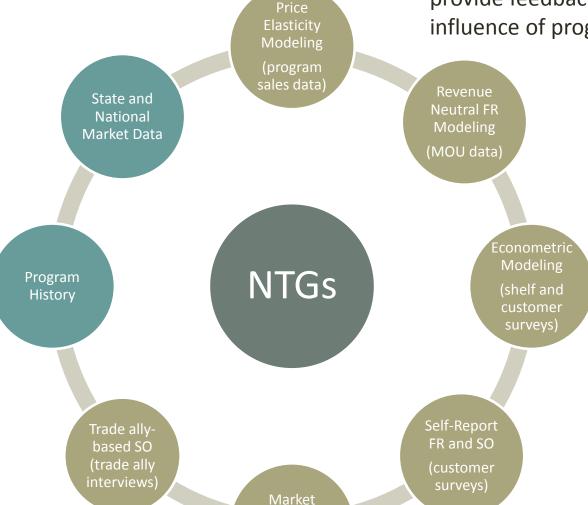
- Provide summary of initial responses by participant group
- Each panelist has an opportunity to modify initial response

Delphi Panel Objective

- Gather input from a panel of experts to:
 - Assess the accuracy of net-to-gross (NTG) estimates developed for the Consumers Energy and DTE Energy programs
 - Recommend NTG values to reflect historical experience and potential future program impacts
- Represent a broad range of perspectives
 - Evaluators & Consultants
 - Government & Regulators
 - Program Administrators & Market Support
 - Environmental & Efficiency Advocates
 - Lighting Manufacturers
 - Lighting Retailers

Stage 1:

Review and assess information about programs, market and evaluations; provide feedback on the influence of programs



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Introductory Webinar

- Review:
 - Michigan definition of NTG
 NTG = 1 Freeridership + Spillover + Multi-Year Market Effects
 - Background information provided
 - Excel-based questionnaire and response options (statewide or utility specific values, estimates of NTG components or overall values)
 - Schedule
- Recorded so panelists can view at their convenience
- Moderated to allow panelists to ask questions anonymously

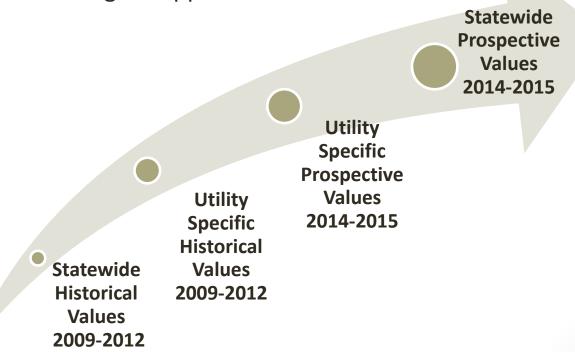
Stage 2:

Review of Stage 1 results by participant category, opportunity to converge around a group result



Net-to-Gross Values

- Panelists will be asked to:
 - Estimate NTG (differentiating by utility, and by past vs. future if they deem appropriate)
 - Provide reasoning in support of estimates



Recruitment of Panelists

- Identified candidates selected for:
 - Knowledge of the market for energy efficient lighting
 - Familiarity with Michigan programs and markets
 - Ability to provide a critical review of the influence that the programs would have had and the differences that would exist in the market if programs had not been or were not offered
- Benefits of participating:
 - Recognition of expertise
 - Michigan definition of NTG to include market effects is an important development; allows participants to participate in defining how market effects are measured and attributed
 - \$500 honorarium paid to the panelist or to a charity of their choice

Organizations Identified

- Government & Regulators Department of Energy, NYPSC, Environmental Protection Agency
- Program Administrators & Market Support Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance, Efficiency Vermont, Xcel Energy, Lockheed Martin, Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnerships, Midwest Energy Efficiency Alliance
- Environment/Efficiency Advocates American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy, Alliance to Save Energy, Consortium for Energy Efficiency,, Natural Resources Defense Council
- Evaluators & Consultants California Institute for Energy and Environment, Apex Analytics, D&R International, NYSERDA, Itron, Ecova
- **Lighting Manufacturers** Feit Electronics, GE, Greenlite, NEMA/Sylvania, Phillips, TCP, Globe Electric, Maxlite
- Lighting Retailers Meijers, The Home Depot, Walmart, ACO Hardware, Menards

Recruitment Strategy

Invitation sent to 32 candidates

25-27 will accept

18-20 will complete both rounds

Some attrition will occur over the two rounds of data collection

Provides a robust set of data with data points from each representative group

Schedule of Events

Event	Date		
Invite panelists to participate	September 18		
Confirm participation	October 2		
Send out Stage One questionnaire	October 23		
Webinar	October 24		
Receive Stage One responses	November 6		
Send out Stage Two questionnaire	November 20		
Receive Stage Two responses	December 4		
Delphi Panel preliminary results	December 18		

Presentation to the Collaborative in Jan/Feb